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9. [redacted] In response to his request I met with Mr. John P. Constandy, Chief Counsel, Senate Permanent Investigating Subcommittee, who told me that the Committee staff is in the process of a major investigation
25X1 of the disposition of excess and surplus American arms particularly in overseas areas. In the interest of avoiding interference with any Agency activities, he would like to check from time to time on various business entities engaged in purchasing and handling of surplus and excess American military equipment and asked if we had any information on a business by
25X1 the name of [redacted] which was reported recently by one of his investigators to be a CIA activity. [redacted] was observed shipping half-tracks from 25X1 [redacted] I told him that from the
25X1 information I was reasonably certain that we had no association with the [redacted] Company but I would check to see if we had any information at all about the Company. Mr. Constandy told me also that the Committee is going forward with the investigation of losses and thefts occurring in the American securities market and now find that the country of Panama in the Western Hemisphere has become an important center for the handling of stolen securities. He inquired whether this is an area of any interest to the Agency or whether the Agency might have information that would be helpful to the Committee. I reviewed for him a bit of the Agency's legislative background noting in particular the prohibition in the National Security Act of 1947 against policies, subpoena, and internal security
25X1 activities. I told him I would relay his question, however, and be back in touch with him the first of the week. Messrs. [redacted] OL, and [redacted] WH Division, have been advised. 25X1

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10. [redacted] I advised J. Sourwine, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee staff, that Mr. Maury had met with Chairman Eastland who said he was under considerable pressure from members of the press to publish the [redacted] testimony but he seemed to 25X1 appreciate our problem and indicated that he would try to hold the line. Sourwine repreated his earlier statement that he doubted the Subcommittee would do anything on this in view of the Agency's opposition to publication and said he was sure the Chairman would have told us if he had any other plans in mind concerning this testimony.

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